

September 25, 2008

Interstate 10 Construction Update Weekend Closure at 107th Avenue

(Listen to an audio report of upcoming work)

Upcoming Restrictions

This week, construction progress will continue with scheduled restrictions as part of the Interstate 10 Improvement Project. This weekend, 107th Avenue underneath I-10 will be closed and will reopen on Sunday afternoon. Avondale Boulevard under I-10 is now open to traffic for the weekend, and will resume weekday closures next week beginning on Monday.

In the coming weeks, drivers should be aware of a closure at 99th Avenue underneath I-10. Construction crews will continue this work to accommodate future lanes within the median of I-10.

Project Information

The I-10 Improvement Project will provide additional lanes between Verrado Way and Loop 101 (Agua Fria Freeway). The freeway expansion includes widening the existing median

and adding outside lanes to improve east/west traffic flow in the West Valley.

This project is one of the first elements of the *Regional Transportation Plan* and is funded through a voter-approved sales tax to improve and construct new transportation options in Maricopa County through 2025. More information on the Regional Transportation Plan is available at www.azdot.gov/ValleyFreeways.

ADOT strives to inform the public about planned freeway restrictions. As with any complex construction project, there is a possibility that severe weather or other unforeseen difficulties may result in unscheduled closures or restrictions.

Please visit the ADOT <u>Web site</u> for the most current information about planned and ongoing I-10 restrictions.

Here's an overview of scheduled restrictions on Interstate 10 in the West Valley:

107th Avenue

Friday, Sept. 26 - Sunday, Sept. 28

5 a.m. – 3 p.m.

107th Avenue underneath I-10 will be closed during the weekend for bridge work. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open. Motorists are encouraged to use adjacent I-10 interchanges. View Map

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Friday, Sept. 26 – Saturday, Sept. 27

11 p.m. – 9 a.m.

I-10 at 107th Avenue will be restricted to one lane in both directions overnight on Friday, Sept. 26.

Saturday, Sept. 27 - Sunday, Sept. 28

11 p.m. – 9 a.m.

Westbound I-10 at 107th Avenue will be restricted to one lane overnight on Friday, Sept. 26

Avondale Boulevard

Monday, Sept. 29 - Friday, Oct. 3

3 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Avondale Boulevard underneath I-10 will be closed for bridge work beginning early morning Monday, Sept. 29 and will reopen on Friday, Oct. 3 at 2:30 p.m. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open. Motorists are encouraged to use adjacent I-10 interchanges. View Map

Litchfield Road

Tuesday, Sept. 30 – Wednesday, Oct. 1

9:00 p.m. - 4:00 a.m.

Litchfield Road underneath I-10 will be closed for bridge work beginning Tuesday night, Sept. 30 and will reopen on Wednesday, Oct. 1 at 4:00 a.m. On- and off-ramps and business access will remain open. Motorists are encouraged to use adjacent I-10 interchanges. View Map

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Tuesday, Sept. 30 – Wednesday, Oct. 1 9:00 p.m. – 4:00 a.m.

I-10 at Avondale Boulevard will be restricted to two lanes in both directions overnight on Tuesday, Sept. 30.

Work Zone Safety

Safety is a vital part of the ongoing construction process. It is important to plan ahead for restrictions and to slow down in the work zone. Drivers and pedestrians are responsible for staying alert and obeying traffic laws; including signage, traffic barricades and flaggers within construction work zones. Most importantly: *slow down in the work zones*. The speed limit on I-10 has been reduced to 55 mph in work zones for the project duration. The reduced speed limits are intended to protect drivers, passengers and workers in the work zone. Please click here for additional safety tips.

An audio podcast outlining this week's I-10 Traffic Alert can be downloaded from the ADOT Web site.

- For general information about I-10 improvements, contact the I-10 project hotline at 602.288.9919 or ADOT@policydevelopmentgroup.com.
- For information on construction activities, contact Lars Jacoby at 602.712.7176 or LJacoby@azdot.gov.
- For traffic updates across Arizona, visit ADOT's Travel Information Site at www.az511.gov or call 5-1-1

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